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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF PERIOD FOR RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

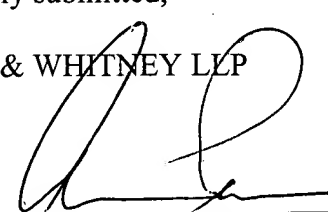
Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of one month (from March 11, 2003 to April 11, 2003) within which to respond to the Office Communication dated February 11, 2003. A check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed herewith to cover the extension fee.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, including extension fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2319 (Order No. A-68957-1/AMP/JFB).

Respectfully submitted,

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